



Texas Department of Public Safety Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

Event Name	Potential Winter Weather
Date	January 6, 2015
Time	1500
Operational Period	January 6, 2015
Report Number	#1

Regions Affected	
DPS Regions Affected	Regions 1, 4, 5, & 6
DDCs Active	None

STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:

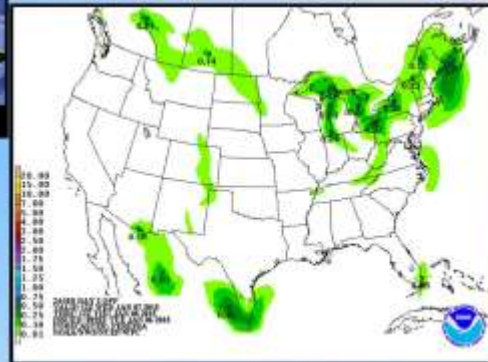
An arctic cold front will traverse a large part of Texas in the next few days. Beginning tomorrow, light snow will begin in the Texas Panhandle, and a mixture of light rain, freezing rain, and rain will move into Far West Texas on Thursday morning. Overnight Thursday into Friday, moisture combined with very cold temperatures, as low as the teens in some areas, will be the focus for a mixed bag of precipitation in North Texas and possibly North Central Texas. The National Weather Service (NWS) is forecasting another system to move into Texas Friday into Saturday bringing reinforcing cold air. Lingering moisture coupled with very cold temperatures will help to produce a mixture of light snow, sleet, rain, and freezing rain in the Red River Valley, North Texas, Northwest Texas, Central Texas and the Hill Country. Some light freezing rain also will be possible along the IH35 Corridor near Austin. Temperatures on Wednesday in the Texas Panhandle will be in the teens, and in North Texas low temperatures are forecast to be in the teens on Thursday. Yet another system is forecast to move into the eastern portions of the State Sunday into Monday morning. Some models indicate that a mixture of sleet, freezing rain, and rain with possible light snow, could possibly impact the Red River Valley. Due to the uncertainty of the timing, amount and type of precipitation, jurisdictions should closely monitor their local NWS offices and/or NOAA Weather Radio for updates.



Tomorrow's Weather Picture



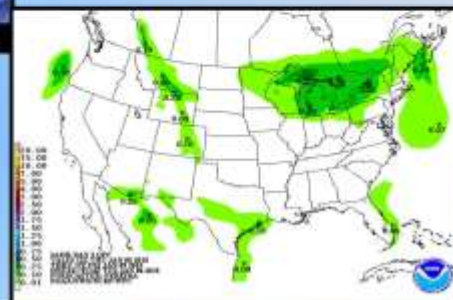
- Cold temperatures
- Very light snow over NE NM and TX/OK Panhandles

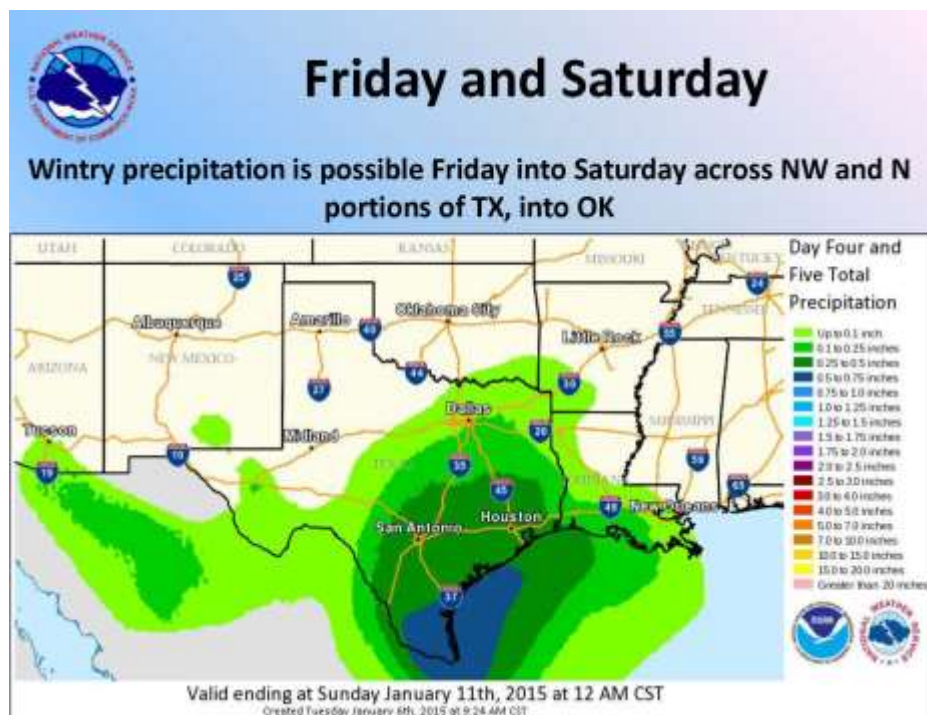


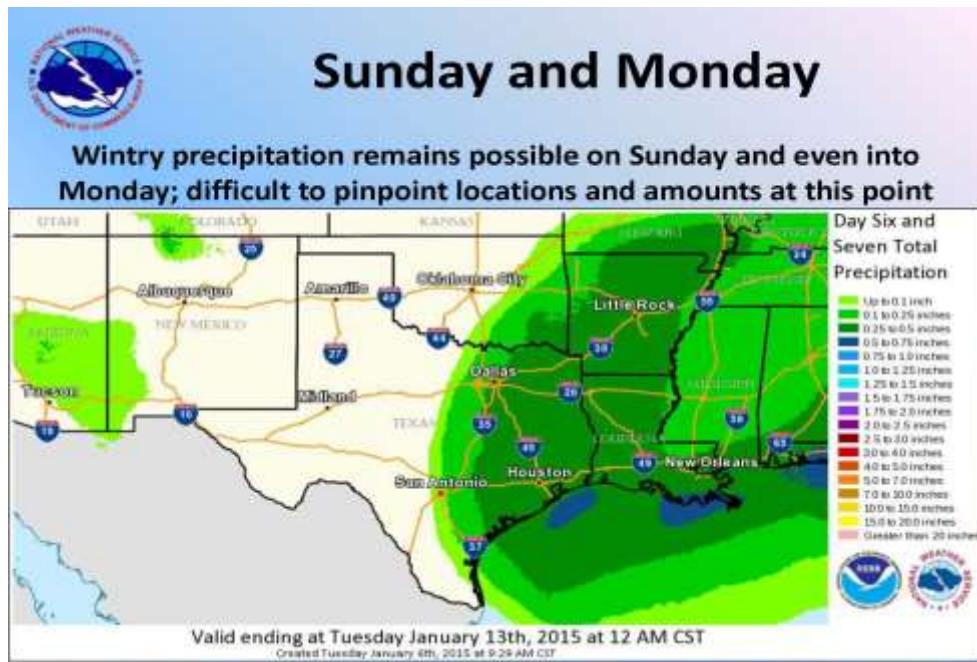
Thursday's Weather Picture



- Cold!
- Moisture begins increasing over SE and Central TX







FINAL COMMENTS: The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) is monitoring the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed. The SOC is at Activation Level IV (Normal Conditions).

The four levels of SOC activation are:

- Level I (Emergency Conditions)
- Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)
- Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)
- Level IV (Normal Conditions)

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